

38.0 AMBER ALERT MESSAGES

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38.0 AMBER ALERT MESSAGES (AA)

38.1 DESCRIPTION

The AMBER Alert Plan provides law-enforcement agencies with a powerful tool to help recover abducted children and quickly apprehend the suspect. When an AMBER ALERT is activated, law-enforcement agencies immediately gain the assistance of thousands of community members who provide additional eyes and ears.

The Amber Alert Message key is a secure, uniform, and rapid means to initiate an Amber Alert activation request and/or cancellation.

See Appendix A, Section 34.0 for XML AA formats and examples.

See Appendix B, Section 34.0 for Native AA formats and examples.

38.2 AA MESSAGE KEY

AA Amber Alert Message

38.3 AA DESTINATION LIMITATIONS

AA May be sent to any combination of ORI's, region, or destinations codes

38.4 DATA ELEMENTS

38.4.1 AA DATA ELEMENTS

Field	MFC
Message key	None
ORI of requesting agency	None
Destination code	None
Fixed field prefix denoting beginning of message	TXT
Text of the message	None

38.4.2 AA FORMATS

AA•ORI•__•TXT TYP/_Text of message (see note below)

Messages can be directed up to a maximum of five two character state codes.

 Mandatory fields

 Optional fields

38.5 AA FORMAT EXAMPLES

38.5.1 AA ADDRESSING EXAMPLE - SINGLE STATE

AA.OR0370000.CA.TYP/A.TXT

38.5.2 AA ADDRESSING EXAMPLE - MULTIPLE STATES

AA.OR0370000.CA,WA.TYP/A.TXT

38.6 AA MESSAGE CONTENT

The content an Amber Alert message is entirely free-form in design. However, in an effort to ensure content consistency and ease of readability, we recommend the use of standard NCIC personal descriptor and vehicle codes whenever possible. To this end, the following format is recommended.

Requesting Agency	30	Alphanumeric: Agency name.
Authorizing Office Name	30	Alphanumeric: Authorizing Officer Name.
Agency Phone Number	10	Alphanumeric: Agency contact phone.
Agency ORI	9	Alphanumeric: Authorizing Agency ORI.
NCIC Number (NIC#)	10	Alphanumeric: NCIC (insert "NONE" in this field if none available).
Date of Abduction	8	CCYYMMDD
Time of Abduction	5	HH:MM
Abduction Location	50	Enter location of abduction
Caution Condition	65	Enter caution conditions if any
Image Available	25	If image is available enter the contact phone number or email address where image can be obtained.
VICTIM # 1 DATA	13	Section header
Victim # 1	25	Alpha: last name, first name middle initial
Date of Birth	8	CCYYMMDD: date of birth
Age	2	Numeric: Age of Victim # 1
Height	3	Victim # 1 approximate height
Weight	3	Victim # 1 approximate weight
Hair	3	Victim # 1 hair color
Eye Color	3	Victim # 1 eye color
Sex	1	Victim # 1 sex code
Race	1	Victim # 1 race code
Victim # 1 clothing	80	Description of Victim # 1 clothing
Victim # 1 Special Needs	80	Enter any special needs for Victim # (medical, etc).
VICTIM # 2 DATA	13	Section header
Victim # 2	25	Alpha: last name, first name middle initial
Height	3	Victim # 2 approximate height
Weight	3	Victim # 2 approximate weight
Hair	3	Victim # 2 hair color
Eye	3	Victim # 2 eye color
Sex	1	Suspect sex code
Race	1	Suspect race code
Suspect Clothing	80	Description of Suspect clothing
Suspect Other Identifying Marks	80	Enter any special identifying marks (tattoos, scars etc)
VEHICLE DATA	12	Section header
License Number	10	Vehicle license number
License State	2	2 Character state code where vehicle is licensed
Vehicle Type	2	Type of vehicle
Vehicle Year	4	Year of vehicle
Vehicle Make	4	Make of vehicle
Vehicle Model	2	Model of vehicle
Other Vehicle Identifiers	80	Enter any other identifiers (dents, etc)
REMARKS DATA	12	Section header
Remarks	400	Enter any pertinent miscellaneous information.

37.6.1 AA MESSAGE CONTENT

REQUESTING AGENCY: SAN DIEGO COUNTY S.O.
AUTHORIZING OFFICER: DEPUTY JUNIOR HERNANDEZ
AGENCY PHONE: 5207230911
AGENCY ORI: AZ0110000
NCIC NUMBER: NONE
DATE OF ABDUCTION: 20030415
TIME OF ABDUCTION: 15:10
ABDUCTION LOCATION: R/R TRACKS AND MARICOPA-STANFIELD RD
CAUTION CONDITION: NONE TO DATE
IMAGE AVAILABLE: IMAGE6@PINALCSO.GOV

VICTIM 1 DATA
VICTIM 1: SMITH, AMBER A
DATE OF BIRTH: 19900812
AGE: 12
HEIGHT: 502
WEIGHT: 105
HAIR: BRO
EYES: BRO
SEX: F
RACE: W
VICTIM 1 CLOTHING: RED T-SHIRT, FADED LEVIS WEARS EARING AID IN LEFT EAR

SUSPECT DATA:
SUSPECT: NO NAME
DATE OF BIRTH: 00000000
AGE: 59
HEIGHT: 605
WEIGHT: 155
HAIR: BRO
EYES: GRN
SEX: M
RACE: W
SUSPECT CLOTHING: BLACK SHIRT, GRAY SLACKS
OTHER IDENTIFIERS: SCAR ON FOREHEAD

VEHICLE DATA:
LICENSE NUMBER: WUSUPDOC
LICENSE STATE: AZ
VEHICLE TYPE: PC
VEHICLE YEAR: 1978
VEHICLE MAKE: CHEV
VEHICLE MODEL: UNK
VEHICLE COLOR: GRN
OTHER IDENTIFIERS: DENT RIGHT FRONT FENDER

REMARKS
LAST SEEN N/B ON INTERSTATE 5 FROM DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO